

31 October 2021

Thirty second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

Deut 6: 2-6

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 18: 2-3, 3-4, 47-51

Second Reading:

Heb 7: 23-28

Gospel:

Mark 12: 28-34

Programme of worship:

Sunday 31 October

Mass

9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm

Mon 1 November

Feast of All Saints

Mass 12.30pm & 5.30pm

Tues 2 November

All Souls

Mass 12.30pm & 5.30pm

Wed 3 November

Mass 12.30pm

Thurs 4 November

Mass 12.30pm

Fri 5 November

Mass 12.30pm

Saturday 6 November

Mass 12.30pm

Sunday 7 November

Mass

9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm

Reconciliation 12.00 - 12.25pm

Wed & Sat. Call 0131 556 1973

to arrange reconciliation outside these times.

Liturgical Calendar

1 Nov All Saints

2 Nov Commemoration of all the faithful departed

3 Nov St Martin de Porres

4 Nov St Charles Borromeo

St Patrick's RC Church Edinburgh

National Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair
Served by The Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy

Fr Francis Ututo SMMM, Administrator

Fr Benedict Umeohana SMMM, Assisting Priest

Fr Kingsley Idoghor SMMM, Assisting Priest



Dear Parishioners

This week we celebrate the twin holy days of All Saints and All Souls, bringing those who have died to the front of our minds. Focusing on them, we reflect on what is truly important in this life. Perhaps the scribe who comes to Jesus to ask 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' is thinking this way. He certainly was after Jesus told him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' Let us contemplate this today as we celebrate the Eucharist.

Gospel reflection:

In this gospel a scribe approaches Jesus with the question, one about which of the 613 Jewish precepts is greatest. Jesus gets to the heart of things, and does more than just answer the scribe's question; he brings to explicit statement the whole underlying meaning of his ministry and what discipleship and inaugurating the kingdom of God is all about. Knowing the law and even keeping the law are not enough - what is required is whole-hearted love of God and neighbour. Jesus in addition to the commandment to love God above all else, tells his listeners to "love your neighbour as yourself." What links our relationship to God, neighbour, and self is love. Law is not kept for its own sake; ideally, law sustains and protects relationships in a loving way. (*Living Liturgy, p.242*)

Prayer of the week:

Lord, I desire to love You with my whole being. Increase my love for You and allow that love to overflow into every relationship I have in my life. May love be the one and only mission of my life. Amen

Thought of the week:

Today being original and revolutionary means rebelling against the culture of the ephemeral, going beyond shallow instincts and momentary pleasures, and choosing to love with every fibre of your being, for the rest of your life. *Pope Francis*

? Question of the week:

Do I put these two commandments above all others in the way that I live my life?

Do I see the face of Jesus in my neighbour?

Mass Intentions

Date	Mass	Name	Intention
31 October	09.00am	Veronica Burnett	Recent death
03 November	12.30pm	Cross Family	Serious illness
04 November	12.30pm	Johnny Bonner	Recent death
05 November	12.30pm	Dianne Robb	Recent death
06 November	12.30pm	Grace Boyle	Recent death

Finance:

Collections from last Sunday

24 October

GA	£ 105.00
NGA	£ 220.01
Tanzania	£ 5.00
Special Collection (Mission Sunday)	
GA	£ 40.00
NGA	£ 95.10
St Anthony's Bread	
	£ 54.00

Making a donation:

If you have not already done so, you may wish to consider taking out a standing order for your weekly / monthly contribution, in this case, the parish account details are:

St Patricks Church
Bank of Scotland
Sort code: 80-02-29
Account No. 00687306

Please remain:

vigilant at all times

wear masks

maintain high hygiene standards

ensure there is good ventilation at all times

keeping a safe distance at all times

Follow all COVID protocols to help keep each other safe.

The Archdiocesan monthly **Mass for Vocations** takes place at 6.30pm on Monday 8 November in St Albert's Chaplaincy George Square, Edinburgh.

COP26 - Mass for delegates, visitors to the city and the Faithful of Scotland will be celebrated on Sunday 7 November at 1.00pm in St Aloysius' Church, Rose Street, Glasgow.

Register at <https://mediades.co.uk/cop26/>

Annual Archdiocesan SSVP Mass to mark the work of Society will be celebrated by Archbishop Leo in St Patrick's, Edinburgh at 11.00am on Sat 20 November.

Synod 2021-2023: The diocesan stage of the Synod 2021-2023 was launched by Archbishop Cushley who celebrated Mass at St Mary's Cathedral last Sunday. You can read what the Archbishop had to say about the synod at bit.ly/SynodLaunchHomily

Keep up to date on Archdiocesan social media and at archedinburgh.org/news-events. Parishes will soon receive details on the steps they can take to contribute to this diocesan stage. Read more about the Synod at www.synod.va

Masses Times:

1 November, Feast of All Saints - 12.30am & 5.30pm.

2 November, All Souls - 12.30pm & 5.30pm.

Please note that the names of the deceased will be read out 5 minutes before each Mass begins.

All Souls' Day: Archbishop Leo will be offering Holy Mass for the repose of all the faithful departed who have died in the Archdiocese in the last year, Tuesday 2 Nov, at 10am in the Cemetery Chapel.

Dementia: Hope on a Difficult Journey: An event organised by the Archdiocesan Marriage & Families Commission for those supporting friends or family with dementia, will be held at the Gillis Centre, Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, from 2.00pm-4.00pm on Saturday 6 November. Register at bit.ly/DementiaEvent2021

Global Day of Action: SCIF invites you to march at the Glasgow Global Day of Action on Saturday 6 November. More details at <https://www.sciaf.org.uk/glasgow-global-day-for-action>

World Day of the Poor on Sunday 14 November. The Christian is called to follow the example of Jesus loving God and neighbour especially the most vulnerable. In our Archdiocese the SSVP has been carrying out this mission since 1845. This year the Caritas, Justice and Peace Commission wish to use the Special Collection to be taken that weekend to support two SSVP Projects; the Furniture Project, Kingseat and the Caravan Project, Port Seton.

To mark the anniversary of the death of **Ven Margaret Sinclair**, the 12.30pm weekday Mass on **24 November** will include the prayers for her beatification.

You are invited to join us for a **Mass of Remembrance** at 12.30pm on Saturday 27 November when we can come together in prayer as we remember all family and friends who have died since the beginning of the pandemic.

Work is ongoing to eradicate the pigeon guano from the tower and attic space.

Take care. Keep safe. Stay well.

Fr Francis SMMM, Fr Benedict SMMM & Fr Kingsley SMMM